

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
December 17, 2006
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle
9:15 a.m. Smudging
9:30 a.m.

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Executive Office Present: none

Legal Staff Present: none

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office Manager, Doug Craven-Natural Resources Director

Commission, Boards, and Committees: none

Guests: Mary Schneider, Courtney Schneider, Rochelle Schneider, Jacob Schneider, Susan Swadling, Sarah Craven

Opening Ceremony: Dexter McNamara

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda for December 17, 2006, as amended, in honor of Yvonne Walker Keshick and Leonard Joe Mitchell.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve the minutes of December 3, 2006, as presented.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

9:50 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution # 121706-02 Quill Art of the Waganakising Odawa.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet- yes,

Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes.
Motion carried.

10:30 a.m. Recess called.

10:40 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-027 Marriage.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Oldman to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-028 Administrative Procedures Act.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes.

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Mary Schneider, Courtney Schneider, Rochelle Schneider, Susan Swadling, Michele LaCount

12:26 p.m. Public Comment closed.

12:26 p.m. Lunch recess called until 2:00 p.m.

2:06 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Oldman to add to the Legislative Agenda proposed legislation Legislative Procedures.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Yellowbank), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-026 Amendment to Tribal Elections and Election Board. Section IV Definitions Amendment Tribal Elections and Election Board Statute being Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-026, is amended by changing the definition of “Qualified Voter” – all Tribal Citizens who are eighteen (18) years older and a registered voter at the time of election.

Motion withdrawn.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution # 121706-01 Establishment of Capital Project Fund for the Construction of the Fish Hatchery at Drier Road property.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes,

Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-yes, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes.
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve Citizenship List A Eligible for Citizenship dated November 28, 2006, for a total of 2.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve Citizenship List B Declination (Ineligible) dated November 28, 2006.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:42 p.m. Recess called.
3:47 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Legislative Leaders report for December 17, 2006, including the confidential material.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to accept the Tribal Treasurer's verbal report for December 17, 2006.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:54 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to go into executive session for land issues.
Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

4:14 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Roberts to return to open session.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Executive's portion of the draft budget for 2008.
Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution # 121706-03 Requesting the Legal Department

provide Tribal Council with a Brief of all/any remaining legal issues that may impact the opening of Odawa Casino Resort.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley=yes, Councilor Harrington=yes, Councilor McNamara=yes, Councilor Roberts=abstain, Councilor Shananaquet=yes, Councilor Yellowbank=yes, Treasurer Oldman=abstain, Secretary Kiogima=yes, Legislative Leader Law=yes.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Roberts to authorize Tribal Council attendance at the Anishnaabemowin Teg and Critical Issues Conferences in March 2007, the Governmental Employee Appreciation Night in January 2007, and the Legislative Attorney Interviews in January 2007.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

4:38 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Oldman and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adjourn.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary

Date